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SUBJ: DENKTASH NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE

REF: A. FBIS TA 312012; B. FBIS TA 311841; C. NICOSIA 4612

1. REF FBIS MESSAGES GIVE TEXT VICE PRESIDENT DENKTASH'S
NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE AND INTERVIEW WITH RADIO BAYRAK. WISH
DRAW ADDRESSEES ATTENTION TO FOLLOWING POINTS OF INTEREST:

A. IN INTERVIEW, DENKTASH REFUSED DISCUSS POLITICAL ISSUE.
SAID CABINET HAD BEEN ASSESSING LATEST DEVELOPMENTS FOR PAST
THREE DAYS BUT HAS NOT YET REACHED DECISION. CABINET TO MEET
AGAIN ON JANUARY 4. DENKTASH CLAIMED HE DID NOT WANT TO SAY
ANYTHING WHICH COULD AFFECT EVENTUAL DECISION BUT ASSERTED
THAT EQUALITY OF COMMUNITY WILL BE SAFEGUARDED. QUOTE: WE SHALL
NOT COME UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF A NON-EXISTENT CYPRUS GOVERNMENT.

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WE SHALL NOT MOVE OUT OF THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GUARANTEE AGREE-

MENT.... UNQUOTE.

B. ASKED WHETHER HUMANITARIAN TALKS WILL RESUME IN 1975, DENKTASH REPLIED THIS UNDER DISCUSSION; SAID HE EXPECTED GIVE REPLY IN NEXT FEW DAYS.

C. IN NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE, DENKTASH NOTED THAT AUTONOMOUS TURKISH ADMINISTRATION (ATA) HAS RAPIDLY TAKEN MEASURES NECESSARY TO CONTROL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ECONOMIC FILEDS IN NORTHERN REGION, WHICH "CONSTITUTES THE TURKISH CYPRIOT WING OF A FEDERAL OR CONFEDERATE STATE." EMPHASIZED ATA ACTIVITIES DEALING WITH PASSPORTS AND VISAS; OPENING OF HONORARY CONSULATES; REGISTRY OF POPULATION AND CITIZENSHIP; ESTABLISHMENT OF TELEPHONE, WIRELESS, RADIO AND TELEVISION LINKS; OPENING OF PORTS; ESTABLISHMENT OF CUSTOMS HOUSES; CONSTRUCTION OF AIRPORTS; READJUSTMENT OF MONEY AND SETTING UP OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET; AND EFFORTS AIMED AT FINDING EXTERNAL AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL MARKETS.

D. DENKTASH BOASTED THAT POINT WOULD BE REACHED WHEN ATA WOULD NEED TO IMPORT WORKERS FROM ABROAD.

E. VICE PRESIDENT CONCLUDED THAT 1975 WILL BE TRANSITIONAL YEAR AND SAID DEVELOPMENT PLAN WILL BE DRAWN UP AND SUBMITTED TO TURKISH CYPRIOT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. NOTED ALSO THAT NEW FIVE-YEAR PLAN WILL BE DESIGNED.

2. COMMENT: SUBMISSION OF TRANSITIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO ASSEMBLY WILL RESOLVE LONG OUTSTANDING PROBLEM BETWEEN TURK CYPRIOT EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATURE. DENKTASH'S EXTENSIVE LIST OF ATA ACCOMPLISHMENTS GLOSSES OVER DIFFICULTIES CONFRONTING TURK CYPRIOT REGIME AND OBSCURES FACT THAT NORTHERN ECONOMY, SIX MONTHS AFTER OCCUPATION, REMAINS STAGNANT. UNCOMPROMISING LINE RE RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS, STATUS OF CYPRUS GOVERNMENT, AND INVIOABILITY OF GUARANTEES IS PROBABLY AN ACCURATE REFLECTION OF ONGOING ATA CABINET DISCUSSIONS. END COMMENT.
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